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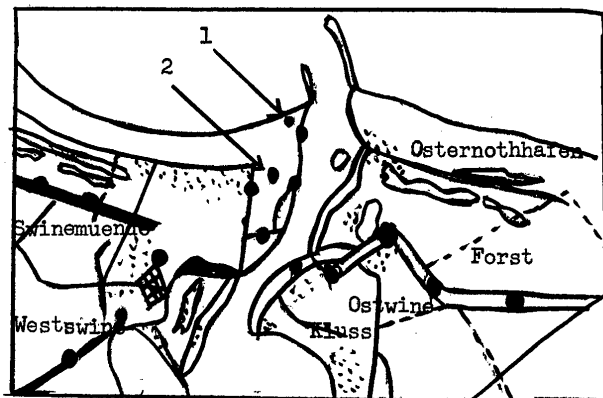
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- On 4 September 1953 the roof was being put on a small one-story building erected at the mouth of the River Swina, on the west bank in Swinoujscie (Swinemuende). Adjoining the building is a tower which has now been brought to the height of the first floor. Judging from the scaffolding which is visible the tower will be built still higher. [redacted] this is a new WOP (Military Border Guard) post and its observation tower. (See point No. 1 on Sketch) 50X1-HUM
- On the west bank of the River Swina there is a number of ex-German observation towers, built of iron, approximately 15 meters high, which appear to be deserted; the iron-work was unpainted and rusty. On a journey by night through Swinoujscie a light was observed burning in a glassed-in cupola on one of the towers. (See point No. 2 on Sketch). [redacted] most of the ex-German towers are now used by the Soviets for observation. In order to camouflage their purpose, the Soviets deliberately have not taken care of the towers on the outside, so as to give the impression that they are empty. 50X1-HUM



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